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## **News Release**

## NORTON RESIDENT EARNS MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING DEGREE

Lt. Cmdr. Dominic Weskamp, son of Andrew and Charlene Weskamp of Norton, Kan., is a recent graduate of the Uniformed Services University's Graduate School of Nursing in Bethesda, Md.

Weskamp was among 13 active-duty officers to receive master of science in nursing degrees during the university's 23<sup>rd</sup> commencement May 18 at Constitution Hall in Washington, D.C.

He is the recipient of the 2002 Family Nurse Practitioner Outstanding Student Award, the 2002 Dean's Award for Research Excellence, the USPHS Chief Nurse Award and Directors Award for USPHS.

He attended the 24-month family nurse practitioner program of the Graduate School of Nursing, which places academic emphasis on advanced nursing practice, theory, role, research and the basic sciences.

A U.S. Public Health Service officer who works for the Bureau of Prisons, Weskamp will be assigned to the Federal Correctional Institute in Manchester, Ky. His wife, Maria, and children - Madison, 12; Garrett, 7; and Jackson, 4 -- will join him there.

The 37-year-old is a graduate of Fort Hays State University in Hays, Kan. He served five years in the U.S. Army before joining the U.S. Public Health Service.